

REMARKS

Claims 1-13, 21, and 22-29 are pending in the application upon entry of the amendments. Favorable reconsideration in light of the amendments and the remarks which follow is respectfully requested.

The Amendments

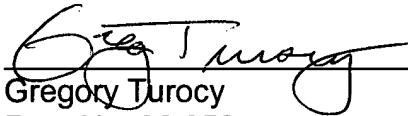
Claims 1-13, 21, and 22 contain allowable subject matter. Seven claims, notably claims 14-20, were previously cancelled. This amendment seeks entry of seven new claims, namely claims 23-29, all dependent from allowable claim 21. Support for the new claims exists, for example, in the other pending dependent claims (such as claims 3, 4, 11, and 12). Entry of the amendments is therefore respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner believe that a telephone interview would be helpful to expedite favorable prosecution, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

In the event any fees are due in connection with the filing of this document, the Commissioner is authorized to charge those fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-1063.

Respectfully submitted,

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